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the hearing that there would...we should expect some kind of revenue increase. Revenue Department said, well, it could be a wash. Truth of the matter is we're going to lose no money, we're likely to gain, and it is much, much simpler for phone companies to administer. There is no reason, if we're getting the taxable value of this break point of exchange, if we're getting the tax in this way, in a simple, easy to administer way, there is no reason to go beyond that and force phone companies to do extensive recordkeeping, apportionment and the like. We will pick up revenue and we will simplify this for the businesses who came in and asked for this to happen. And I ask for the advancement of LB 214.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Landis. Is there any discussion on LB 214? Seeing no lights, Senator Landis, you are recognized to close on LB 214. Senator Landis waives closing. We are now voting on advancement of LB 214. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays on the motion to advance the bill, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: LB 214 does advance. Mr. Clerk, next item.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Next item, Mr. President, is LB 86. That's a bill introduced by Senator Wickersham. (Read title.) The bill was read for the first time on January 7th, referred to the Revenue Committee. There are committee amendments attached to the bill, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Wickersham, you are recognized to open on LB 86.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Okay. Mr. President, members of the body, LB 86 makes a number of substantive changes in the areas of budgets and how they're filed, their impact, and how you can amend them. It ranges across and then adds in provisions for electronic transfers. So it does weave its way across a couple of different topics, but they're all interrelated. One provision that is kind of an adjustment for an unusual provision in our statute is that it eliminates a current requirement that community colleges have to go to a county board and explain